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The present application has been sent back to the examiner because it was not clear if an appeal conference was held before the application was sent to the Board of Appeals. The examiner is providing an initialed copy of the last page of the Examiner's Answer to show that an appeal conference was held.


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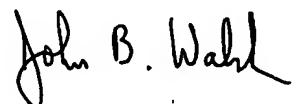
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teaching magnetic attraction to be used for engaging one element with another (see Brown; column 1, lines 60-63; column 1, lines 15-19).

For the above reasons, it is believed that the rejections should be sustained.

Respectfully submitted,



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